

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Chirag R. Patel
MASAMICHI EBATA	)	
	:	Art Unit: 2141
Application No.: 10/642,731	)	
	:	Conf. No.: 3791
Filed: August 19, 2003	)	
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING	)	
APPARATUS CONNECTABLE TO	:	
PERIPHERAL DEVICE, CONTROLLING	)	
METHOD, AND COMPUTER-READABLE :	:	
STORAGE MEDIUM STORING CONTROL)	:	
PROGRAM THEREON	:	April 29, 2008

**Mail Stop: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment and Request for Continued Examination Transmittal (RCE) filed March 6, 2008, and pursuant to the telephone interview which took place between the Examiner and Applicant's undersigned attorney on April 15, 2008 and their subsequent email correspondence on April 23, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 12.

It is believed that no fee is due with this submission since the Amendment included a Request for a One-Month Extension of Time and a Request for Suspension of Action. However, if a fee is deemed to be due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.